

### REMARKS

The indicated allowability of claim 3 is gratefully acknowledged.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 3. Hence, claim 1 and its dependent claims 2 and 4-8 are now in condition for allowance.

Petition is hereby made for a three-month extension of the period to respond to the outstanding Official Action to August 14, 2006. A check in the amount of \$510.00, as the Petition fee, is enclosed herewith. If there are any additional charges, or any overpayment, in connection with the filing of the amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such deficiency, or credit any such overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 11-1145.

Wherefore, a favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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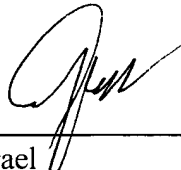
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